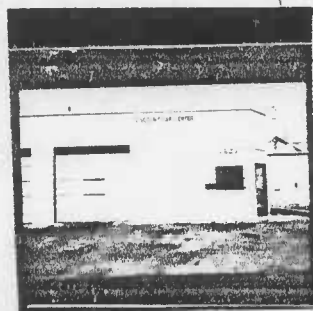


Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form



Survey No. ^{PG:} 68-41-7

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Discount Car Center

2. Location

street & number 4824 Rhode Island Ave.

☐ not for publication

city, town Hyattsville

☐ vicinity of

congressional district

state Maryland

county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category

☐ district

☒ building(s)

☐ structure

☐ site

☐ object

Ownership

☐ public

☒ private

☐ both

Public Acquisition

☐ in process

☐ being considered

☐ not applicable

Status

☒ occupied

☐ unoccupied

☐ work in progress

Accessible

☐ yes: restricted

☐ yes: unrestricted

☐ no

Present Use

☐ agriculture

☒ commercial

☐ educational

☐ entertainment

☐ government

☐ industrial

☐ military

☐ museum

☐ park

☐ private residence

☐ religious

☐ scientific

☐ transportation

☐ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Richard Roberson

street & number 4902 43rd Ave.

telephone no.: 927-6827

city, town Hyattsville

state and zip code Maryland

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse

liber

street & number

folio

city, town Upper Marlboro

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date

☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent

☐ good

☒ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This one story cement block building dates from the 1930's and appears to have been originally constructed as a gas station. The building is flat roofed and has two service bays, there is a diagonal entry way.

Changes to the facade of the building have significantly altered the appearance of the structure. Windows located at the corner of the building have been replaced with plywood. The building has also been painted so no vestiges of the original color scheme or signs remain.

The building remained in use as a gas station until the 1960's.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The building is illustrative of the prevalence of automobile-related services which flourished on the strip of Rt. 1 south of Hyattsville after the completion of Rhode Island Avenue. In its heyday, gas stations and garages, dominated this area; many have, or soon will be destroyed for other uses.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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- (1) Sandborn Map of Hyattsville 1922, 1933
- (2) Oral interview Francis Geary

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

state code county code

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